

What is Claimed is:

1. A printer module comprising:
a print engine;
a wireless receiver for receiving data from a remote source; and
a microcontroller for controlling the print engine to print data associated with the remote source.
2. A module according to claim 1, wherein the wireless receiver comprises a wireless transceiver including means for confirming printing to the remote source.
3. A module according to claim 1, further comprising a coupler for directing data received from the wireless receiver to the microcontroller.
4. A module according to claim 3, wherein the coupler includes (i) means connectable to a fixed channel, and (ii) means for directing data received from the wireless receiver and/or from the fixed channel to the microcontroller.
5. A module according to claim 1, wherein the microcontroller includes means for storing a number of templates, each template representing a predefined image, to avoid having to receive an image each time a ticket is to be printed.
6. A module according to claim 1, further comprising means for powering the wireless receiver.

7. A terminal comprising:
 - a controller; and
 - a printer module in communication with the controller, the printer module including (i) a wireless receiver, (ii) means for printing data received from the controller, and (iii) means for printing data received from a remote source via the wireless receiver.
8. A system for printing tickets at a terminal, the system comprising:
 - a terminal including a printer module having a wireless receiver; and
 - a server for establishing a connection with the printer module via the wireless receiver and for transmitting data for printing by the printer module.
9. A system according to claim 8, wherein the terminal comprises a point of sale terminal.
10. A system according to claim 8, wherein the terminal comprises a self-service terminal.
11. A method of printing tickets at a terminal, the method comprising the steps of:
 - accessing a remote server using a wireless transceiver;
 - providing the remote server with the identity of a terminal having a printer module including a wireless receiver; and
 - requesting the remote server to print a ticket at the identified terminal by wireless transmission of data to the wireless receiver in the printer module.

12. A method of retro-fitting a self-service terminal, the method comprising the steps of:

identifying a self-service terminal having an item dispensing module; and
modifying the item dispensing module by adding wireless receiver capability.

13. A method according to claim 12, wherein the item dispensing module comprises a printer module which is modifiable by adding a wireless receiver thereto to enable the printer module to receive and print data from a remote source.

14. A method of fulfilling pre-arranged transactions at a self-service terminal, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving by wireless communication from a remote location a request to fulfil a pre-arranged transaction;
preparing a dispensable item for fulfilling the request; and
dispensing the item to a user to fulfil the request.

15. An item dispensing module comprising:
a dispensing engine;
a wireless receiver for receiving instructions from a remote source; and
a microcontroller for controlling the dispensing engine to dispense items according to the received instructions.

16. An automated teller machine (ATM) comprising:

 a printer module including (i) a wireless receiver for receiving data from a remote source, and (ii) means coupled to the wireless receiver and for printing the received data onto a document; and

 a dispenser module for dispensing the printed document.

17. An ATM according to claim 16, wherein the wireless receiver comprises a wireless transceiver including means for confirming printing to the remote source.

18. An ATM according to claim 16, wherein the means coupled to the wireless receiver includes a print engine and a controller for controlling the print engine to print the received data onto the document.

19. An ATM according to claim 18, wherein the means coupled to the wireless receiver includes a coupler for directing data received from the wireless receiver to the controller.

20. An ATM according to claim 19, wherein the coupler includes (i) means connectable to a fixed channel, and (ii) means for directing data received from the wireless receiver and/or from the fixed channel to the controller.

21. An ATM according to claim 18, wherein the controller includes means for storing a number of templates, each template representing a predefined image, to avoid having to receive an image each time a document is to be printed.